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Saxonburg Firemen Hold Annual Turkey Banquet

Last week's annual banquet for members and guests of the Saxonburg Volunteer Fire Company was a gala event. A turkey dinner was topped off by a program enjoyed by the more than 250 men attending.

President, Ralph Kroneberg, welcomed the firemen and introduced the many guests present. Jesse Humes, of Tarentum, was a special guest, for he was one of the original organizers of the company.

Ralph Sanders, of Ken - Penn Amusement Co. was introduced as well as Bert Snyder, president of the Butler County Firemen's Association and county commissioner.

Others included Howard Brown, president of Butler County Association of Fraternal Clubs, and Joe Stetzer, secretary of that organization; Joseph Schricker, supervising principal of Butler Township schools was there, also Joseph Langland, Butler City Fire chief.

Clyde Johnson and Jake Hennicheck represented Pennsylvania State Police. William Faust and Don Campbell were there from the Butler Eagle and Eugene Simon and Warren A. Hawthorne of The Valley Daily News.

Joseph McGrath, superintendent of Penn - Sixie Cement Comment of Penn - Dixie Cement Comwith Earl "Bud" Walker, county sheriff, Clark Painter, district attorney; Donald Doerr, his assistant, and Charles Lenhart, of the county detective office.

A surprise attraction was Frit-lzie Zivic, former welterweight champion of the world. Mr. Zivic told entertaining tales of his boxing career.

Herbert Irving, Saxonburg burgess, introduced the special entertainment. Marilyn McCabe, of KDKA, sang "Lover," "With a Song in My Heart," "A Wonderful Guy" and concluded with "Don't Blame Me."

Deacon Sim Trimblin and Company provided an amusing satire on life in the south. Pauline Thorn and her escorts performed a pantomime and danced routine and the program was concluded with Jackie Bright who conducted an audience participation show.

Charles Graham made arrangements for the entertainment and John Duke headed the special entertainment committee which provided for the dinner.

Other members of the special entertainment committee include E. O. Neubert, Charles Graham, Edward Cooper, Gus Keene, Gil Frederick, Richard Raymond, David Giesler, Kenneth Anderson and Walt Frederick.

Bicker and Mrs. Harold Falkner.

Guests attending the meeting included Mrs. Clarence Cypher, Mrs. Arthur Cypher, Mrs. Victor Franke and Mrs. Howard Drescher and daughter, Marlene.

mer, will be February hostess.

Basket Weaving Demonstrated

Mrs. Julius Goldscheitter and Mrs. Edgar Miller demonstrated basket weaving at this week's meeting of Ekastown Women's Extension held in the home of Mrs. Alexander Kubla.

Members of the group all started fashioning their own baskets and the evening was spent working on them.

The group will meet again on January 28 in the home of Mrs. Dorothy Smith to complete their work.

Following the meeting, Mrs. Kubla served refreshments.

Events Calendar

Tonight:

8 — Saxonburg P-TA

8 — Clinton Township P-TA

8 — Cabot Recreation Association Card Party — Nemec Stone House

SARVERVILLE CHURCH WILL HOLD MEETING

Congregational meeting of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Sarverville, will be held in the church Wednesday evening at 8.

Officers for the coming year will be elected and reports given from each organization.

Congregations Plan Meetings

D. T. Scott, D. D., pastor of Westminster and Buffalo Presbyterian Churches, will conduct congregational meetings in both churches this week.

Meeting for Westminster's congregation will be held in the church tomorrow evening at 8. Buffalo Church, Sarver, will hold its meeting Wednesday.

Easter Sunrise Service Planned by 10 Churches

Plans for this year's Easter Sunrise service were made at a meeting last week in St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Saxonburg, with representatives from 10 churches in attendance.

The service this year will be held in Winfield-Clinton Consolidated School auditorium at 5 on Easter morning. There will only be one service this year for the committee feels the large crowd which always attends the service can be accomodated in the auditorium.

Those selected to serve on committees include:

Mrs. Lena Morris, Cabot Methodist Church; Edward Maurhoff, Memorial Church; Mrs. L. R. Staley, Westminster Presbyterian Church; Miss Allene Montag, Jefferson Center Preshyterian Church; Miss Edna McAdams, Clinton United Presbyterian Church; Mrs. Albert Reinhold, St. Luke's Lutheran; Mrs. Robert Becker, Buffalo Presbyterian; Mrs. Leroy Martin, Zion E. U. B. Church; Miss K. Eleanora Haas, St. Paul's Lutheran, and Cecil Burtner, Thorne Creek Methodist all pageant and costume committee members.

Mrs. Ralph Battenfelder is chairman of puhlicity; Eugene Kennedy, Wilbur Morris, Howard Weckerley and Herman Steppling are members of the committee on scenery.

Clair Halstead and Mrs. Josephine Moorhead will have charge of music. Mrs. William Becker, assisted by Mrs. Addison, will be organist.

Another meeting of the pageant committee will be held Feb. 1 in St. Luke's Lutheran Church to chose the pageant.

Church Plans Dinner Friday In Saxonburg

Two Sunday School classes and the Ladies Aid Society of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Saxonburg, are cooperating to provide most of Friday's dinner for members of the congregation and their families.

Meat, rolls, butter and coffee will be furnished by the Mary Esther Bible Class. Members of the Ladies Aid Society will furnish pies and cakes and the H. & H. class will furnish salads.

Each family is asked to bring a vegetable tureen. During the congregational meeting, entertainment will be provided for the children attending.

All members of the congregation are invited to attend the dinner which will start at 6:30. They are also requested to return reservation cards as soon as possible.

Saxonburg Area

Mrs. Sergie Hughes is vacationing in St. Petersburg, Fla., where she plans to spend the next month.

J. J. Turner is also spending some time in St. Petersburg.

Mrs. H. M. Davis, Mrs. C. H. Paul, Sr., Mrs. Leroy Paul and Miss Mila Sue List are in Washington, D. C., attending the inauguration ceremonies.

Garrett Tyrrell is a patient in Allegheny Valley Hospital where he underwent surgery.

Events Calendar

Tonight:

8 — Westminster Presbyterian Church congregational meeting

8 — Busy Bee Class, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Sarverville.

8 — Sarver Vet's Auxiliary, Lernerville Club House.

8:30 — American Legion Card Party, Saxonburg Legion Home.

SAXONBURG FIREMEN'S OFFICERS—Principal officers of Saxonburg Firemen installed at a recent meeting by Burgess Herbert Irving are shown grouped in this News photo. Left to right are Reldon Cooper, assistant chief; Aaron Bachman, chief; Ralph Kroneberg, president; Adam Beechey, vice-president; George K. Smith, secretary, and E. O. Neubert, treasurer. (News)

Burgess Irving Installs Firemen's 1953 Officers

Burgess Herbert Irving installed newly elected officers of Saxonburg Volunteer Firemen at a recent meeting held in the fire hall.

Officers installed at Tuesday's meeting included Ralph Kroneberg, re-elected president; Adam Beechey, vice president; George K. Smith, secretary; K. E. Bauman, corresponding secretary; E. O. Neubert, treasurer, and Larry Laconi. Michael Petro and Paul Doerr, directors.

Fire Chief Aaron Bachman reported a total of 57 fire calls answered in 1952 with an estimated loss of more than $46,000. Eighteen calls were for buildings with an estimated loss of $35,225; eight calls for fires in cars or trucks with a loss reported of over $11,000. The remaining alarms were for grass fires.

The ambulance committee reported a total of 22 trips made during December with several donations received from users.

Hugo Pflueger, Route 2, Sarver; Howard F. McDermott, Route 1, Saxonburg; James T. McClowery, M. D., Saxonburg, and James B. Salsgiver, Route 1, Saxonburg, were voted in as new active members. Thirteen social members were accepted.

Firemen also voted to donate to the March of Dimes and the Tuberculosis Society campaign.

Mr. Kroneberg concluded the meeting by reading the list of committee personnel who will serve during the coming year.

Members of the Carnival Committee include Carl Wetzel, Jay Rudert, Mike Katora, Adam Beechey, Kenneth Anderson, George Smith, Gustave Keene, Gil Frederick, David Giesler, Walter Frederick, MacCurdy Cypher and George Kirkpatrick.

Dance committee personnel include Larry Laconi, Richard Raymond, Charles Blakely, Kenneth Anderson, Richard Long, Adam Beechey, Paul Doerr, Albert McCrea, William Paulson, Laverne Wetzel, MacCurdy Cypher, Gustave Keene, George Kirkpatrick and Wilfred Reyer.

Ambulance Committee members include Aaron Bachman, Reldon Cooper, R. H. Bryan, M.D., Albert Fox, Jay Rudert, Fred Textor and John Thompson.

Members of the building committee include Aaron Bachman, Reldon Cooper, Kenneth Anderson, George West, Robert Fair and Joseph Cosentino.

Social Committee members include Gil Frederick, David Giesler, George Kirpatrick, Kenneth Stultz, Herman Erickson, Ed Simpson, Don Herold, Lou Johnston, E. M. Sollie and Wilfred Reyer.

William A. Watson, Herbert Irving, Raymond Montag and C. S. Shoemaker are on the insurance committee.

Special entertainment members are John Duke, E. O. Neubert, Charles Graham, Edward Cooper, Gustave Keene, Gil Frederick, Richard Raymond, David Giesler, Kenneth Anderson and Walter Frederick.

Youth activity committee members include William Watson, E. M. Sollie, Lavern Wetzel, Charles Blakeley, MacCurdy Cypher and Reldon Cooper.

Fraternal Order of Clubs committee members include John Thompson, Ed Rudert, Lee McCormick and Ed Cooper.

Aaron Bachman, Reldon Cooper, Gerald Coleman and Kenneth Walborn are on the welfare committee and Charles Lassinger, MacCurdy Cypher, Gus Keene, Mike Petro, Kenneth Walborn and Reldon Cooper are members of the maintenance committee.

Meeting Features Entertainment

Monday evening's meeting of Clinton Township P-TA will feature piano solos by Mrs. W. C. Pietz in addition to film strips by Robert Parlaman, Pennsylvania Conservation Educational assistant.

Paul Miller, district game warden, will also attend the meeting and speak briefly.

W. Calvin Scott will conduct a brief business meeting proceding the meeting.

George Davis is in charge of February's program which will be planned and presented by the men.

Church Class Committee Heads Listed

Mrs. Harold Falkner, newly-elected president of Willing Worker's Class of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Sarverville, appointed a new committee chairman and guided the planning for a spaghetti supper at last week's meeting in the home of Mrs. Henry Grimm.

The supper will be held Feb. 11 in the church. Tickets for the supper are now available and will also be available at the door.

Committee chairmen for the coming year include: Miss K. Eleanora Haas, cheer up committee; Mrs. Frank Ballon, ways and means, with Mrs. Walter Weigand and Mrs. Fred Doerr, assistants; Mrs. Sidney Haas, publicity chairman; Mrs. Dale Wolf, card sale.

Mrs. Wilbert Schickline, entertainment chairman, assisted by Mrs. Ross Bicker and Mrs. Dale Wolf; Mrs. Leroy Smith, scrap book chairman; Mrs. Robert Downey, gelatin sales; Mrs. David Logan, flower fund; Mrs. Albert Heim, birthday fund; Mrs. John Balicki, Jewish fund, and Miss Fredricka Grimm, pot of gold.

Mrs. Dale Wolfe announeed plans to sell cards remaining from the recent sale at cost and anyone wishing to purchase cards should contact her.

The group changed the date of their meeting from the second Tuesday to the second Wednesday of the month. However, next month's meeting will be held in the church on Feb. 9 to make final preparations for the supper.

Mrs. Henry Grimm conducted a devotional period preceding the meeting.

Refreshments were served by the hostess to Mrs. Ross Bicker, Mrs. Harold Falkner, Mrs. Henry Grimm, Mrs. George Grimm, Mrs. David Logan, Miss K. Eleanora Haas, Mrs. Walter Weigand, Mrs. Robert Downey, Mrs. Dale Wolfe, Mrs. Fred Doerr, Mrs. Wilbert Schickline, Mrs. Fred Grimm, Mrs. Ralph Robert and Mrs. Albert Heim.

Saxonburg Items

Lt. Charles Moore, who is spending a two-week leave with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Harold Moore, Main street, spent several days this week visiting friends in Washington, D. C. Accompanying him was Ray S. Weisbarber, of Churchill Valley.

Mrs. Franklin Montag, of Jefferson Center, and daughters, Marilyn and Joan, spent a day recently in Pittsburgh.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cooper and son, Kenneth, of Saxonburg, visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Smith, of Sarver.

Elaine Melish, of Saxonburg, and Marilyn Montag, of Jefferson Center, attended a recent box lunch party of their senior class in Butler High School.

Bernadette Mumaw, of Ivywood, has returned to Mount Mercy College after spending the Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Mumaw.

Lt. and Mrs. Clyde Everson spent an Easter leave with Mrs. Everson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Heginbotham, of Saxonburg. Lt. Everson is stationed with the Army in Fort Lee, Virginia.

Marilyn and Joan Montag attended the wedding in Erie on Saturday of President-elect James Thompson, of Pennsylvania Christian Endeavor Union, and Esther Davies. Members of Christian Endeavor Union from six counties held a reception for the newlyweds in Ambridge Thursday, which the Franklin Montag family attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cooper, of near Saxonburg, went to Camp Ch-El-Co in Elk County this week for the opening of fishing season.

Mrs. Aaron Bachman was a recent guest in the home of her sister, Mrs. George Neubert, of near Hannahstown, for an all-day quilting session of the Ladies Aid of Hannahstown Lutheran Church.

Mr. and Mrs. John G. Curtin, of Englewood, N. J., and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Herrington, of Loveetsville, Va., spent the Easter holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Fred T. Sarver, of near Sarver.

Rev. D. K. Geese, pastor emeritus of Saxonburg Memorial Church, is recuperating in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Schenkel, Pikastown road, after breaking several bones in a fall last weekend.

Film to be Shown In Sarver Church

A colored sound motion picture will be presented in Zion United Brethren Church, Sarver, tomorrow night at 8. The public is invited to attend. The movie "Wonderful Life," is about stewartship.

Winfield-Clinton Basketball Team Honored by Sportsmen

Winfield - Clinton basketball team was honored after a successful season by members of Cabot Recreation Association at a dinner held in Winfield-Clinton school auditorium.

James H. Collins, association president, acted as toastmaster for the evening's program which opened with group singing led by Charles Walters, with Nancy Hesselgesser at the piano.

Mr. Collins introduced Richard Bryson who sang two tener solos, accompanied by Miss Hesselgesser.

Mr. Collins then introduced Mr. Walter who as assistant coach praised the team members for good work during the year, and thanked association members for their support.

Other special guests at the program following the dinner served by members of Recreation Association Auxiliary were Robert Smiley, coach of Slippery Rock High School basketball, Darwin C. Cook, Winfield-Clinton athletic director, and Ralph Ifft, director of recreation at Deshon Veteran's Hospital.

Mr. Ifft introduced the principal speaker of the evening "Doc" Carlson, basketball coach in University of Pittsburgh.

Carlson spoke informally, telling of incidents occurring during his 30 years as Pitt coach. He mentioned the advantages derived from being a college player and stressed that the current scandals involving basketball were mainly isolated incidents and that basketball would not be harmed in the long run by them.

Team members who were introduced by Mr. Cook included Benny Sasse, Martin Cypher, Carl Goepfert, Howard Todd, Robert Miller, Lynn Moore, team manager, David Todd, Pat Keasey, Don Kradel, Regis Scheihel, John Heim, Glenn Freehling, Dick Freehling, Wayne Geisler, Jack Isenberg, Jim Moore, Jim McLafferty, Harry Schultz, Tom Sepick, Harvey Beck, Don Barton, Gerald Harbison, Don Sasse and Jim Wilbert, manager and scorer.

By News Staff Writers

Around The Valley

ONCE CONSIDERED A RURAL area, the Saxonburg district is rapidly becoming urbanized. But there is at least one relic of past and more leisurely days remaining.

Although the general store has had a "face-lifting" and in most ways resembles the large city super-market, it still remains a sort of a vocal newspaper, a post office and the most popular district social club.

While doing their weekly or daily shopping, housewives, farmers and businessmen still gather to discuss matters of general or personal interest.

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SHOPPING IS NOT the bore and drudgery it is often considered in impersonal city stores. Instead, it is an event eagerly anticipated by most as a chance to visit with friends not often seen.

You never know who'll be shopping when you are, but it's sure to be someone you know and will want to talk with. The cracker barrel is missing, but the topics of conversation remain the same—everything and anything.

Local political issues are argued while pushing shopping carts. Financial transactions are discussed at the meat counter. News about the welfare of district inhabitants passes from shopper to shopper.

And when other topics for discussion lag, there's always the weather and the condition of the back roads.

All this is done in the spirit of gossiping. As a newspaper publishes events of interest, so the area store provides a word-of-mouth newspaper for residents who are genuinely interested in how their neighbors are faring.

In short, the thing which makes a small community a good place in which to live is typified in the general store.

A warm, kindly interest in your neighbors and a spirit of friendliness predominate.

And problems rarely become so critical that they can't be solved by "talking them out," these general store "panels" have shown.

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Church Group Gives Approval For Projects

An electric cleaner for St Paul's Lutheran Church, Sarverville, will be purchased by members of Busy Bee Class of the church, under the presidency of Mrs. John Boyer.

This decision was made at the monthly meeting of the class held recently in the church. Members also voted to share expenses incurred in present enlargement of the church kitchen. This project will be completed before the annual chicken dinner held in the church this fall.

To raise funds for both enterprises, the class is selling numerous household items, including refrigerator bags and fancy wash and dish clothes. Picture plates of the church will be available within the next month. Orders may be placed with any class member.

Annual mother-daughter banquet of the class will be held May 20, with the place to be announced later. Mrs. Boyer appointed committees to make arrangements for the banquet, with Mrs. Margaret Walters in charge of the program, Mrs. Shields Macurdy and Mrs. Charles Lauffer in charge of cards and gifts and Mrs. Glenn Wilson in charge of favors and decorations.

Mrs. Olga Brown joined the class during the meeting. Mrs. Charles Lauffer was winner of the "pink elephant." Preceding the meeting, Mrs. Lauffer led devotions, including hymns and unison scripture reading. Devotions were closed with an Easter prayer by the class members.

Mrs. John Boyer, hostess, served refreshments to Mrs. Addison Cogley, Mrs. Kenneth Toy, Mrs. Shields Macurdy, Mrs. Richard Farrell, Mrs. George Bastin, Mrs. Charles Lauffer, Mrs. Henry Edwards, Mrs. Henry Dohman, Mrs. George Haas, Mrs. Mayme Falkner, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Glenn Wilson and Kathy Mae Ashenbaugh, a guest of the class.

Next meeting will be held in the church May 27, with Mrs. K. Eleanor Haas as hostess.

Saxonburg Church Scene of Musical

Outstanding artists of Greensburg Music Club will present a program for Music Club in Saxonburg district tomorrow afternoon at 3, in the Memorial Church.

The program will feature Mildred Gardner, pianist, Carl Gardner, zither virtuoso, of Gardner Music Studio, in Greensburg, Richard McIntire, violinist and a vocal trio.

The program will be open to the public.

Saxonburg Firemen Show New Apparatus at Meet

Saxonburg Volunteer Fire Company's new radio-telephone relay system was demonstrated at a recent meeting of Butler County Fire Chiefs in Saxonburg Fire Hall.

Fire Chief Aaron Bachman took four representatives to Butler in his car, which is equipped with a telephone. These men talked with Assistant Chief Reldon Cooper, who drove his radio equipped car to Highway 8, and Kenneth Walborn, who drove the ambulance to Allegheny Valley Hospital.

Fire chiefs from 15 posts listening at the main station in the fire hall, manned by Gerald Coleman, were impressed with the clear reception from widely scattered points.

The fire chief and captain of Mt. Lebanon Fire Company discussed the value and importance of two-way radio systems in fire emergencies. They also emphasized the importance of such a system in an emergency situation arising from a sudden air attack.

Representatives from Link Radio and RCA Victor were also present to explain and demonstrate the Saxonburg equipment.

It was decided by the chiefs to endorse a survey of county fire departments by Link Radio to determine size and type of equipment necessary to adequately cover the County with this type of system for emergency fire calling and civil defense.

Chiefs attended the meeting from Butler, Lyndora, Zelienople, Mars, Evans City, Valencia, Penn Township, Mercer road, Portersville, Herman, Meridian, Harmony, Conoquenessing and East Butler fire companies.

In charge of the meeting for the host company were Chief Bachman, Assistant Chief Cooper, Captain Jay Rudert and Lieutenant Charles Liebert, Sr.

ST LUKES PLANS 18 .....

St. Luke's Plan Banquet in Church

Members of the congregation of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Saxonburg, are being solicited for donations for the banquet to be served in the church next Wednesday.

Mary Esther Bible class is serving this dinner for Pamona Grange members of Butler County.

Congregation members who have not already been contacted are requested to get in touch with Mrs. John Lassinger class president or leave contributions in the church.

Proceeds from this banquet will be used for improvements in the church. The aid of all the congregation is requested.

Events Calendar

Tonight

8:00 — Card party, Stone House, Cabot.

8:30 — Saxonburg P-TA, Saxonburg School.

8:00 — Lib — League Association, Saxonburg American Legion Rooms.

Tomorrow

8:30 — Card Party, Saxonburg American Legion Home.

Auxiliary to Show Coast Trip Movies

Everette Spang of Butler will show movies of his west coast trip in Winfield-Clinton Auditorium May 6 at 8.

Sponsored by Cabot Recreation Auxiliary members, tickets are available from any member of the group.

The most interesting movies are in color, and promise an appealing evening's entertainment.

Temperance Group Meeting Postponed

Clinton district Youth Temperance Council meeting has been postponed from April 23 to April 30.

Young people and their leaders will meet in Clinton United Presbyterian Church, with an interesting program planned for the young people.

This meeting is open to all district young people.

Legion Holds Membership Ham Dinner

Men of the district are complaining of dishpan hands following the recent membership banquet cooked by members of Lauter - Falkner Post American Legion, Saxonburg.

Preparations for the ham dinner were made Thursday afternoon by Gerald Kriley, Raymond Whiteside, post commander; Earnest Sebak and James Galbreath.

Approximately 60 members, including Hal Gritling, Harry Harts and Lowell Walkup who joined the post at Thursday night's dinner, paid the cooks the supreme compliment by eating everything in sight.

James H. Collins was in charge of entertainment following the dinner. Prizes of gum, candy and cigarets were won by all in various games. The evening's entertainment closed with the showing of several movies.

The two feminine members of the post, Mrs. George Weaver and Mrs. Margaret Ulrich were on the clean-up committee which also included Lewis Osche, Lawrence Lassinger, James F. Van Dyke and Louis Noble.

Clemson Student Holidays in N. C.

Unable to be nome for Easter vacation, Jack Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson of Saxonburg, spent the long holiday weekend in Cedar Mountains, N. C.

With several students from Clemson University, S. C., Jack spent his time enjoying a summer sun, according to a letter received by his parents.

Jack is in his senior year in Clemson where he is studying to be a history teacher. He is now in practice teaching at Seneca High School, S. C.

CARD PARTY SLATED

A card party, sponsored by Allegheny Valley Hospital Auxiliary of the Saxonburg district, will be conducted Thursday night at 8 in Saxonburg Fire Hall. Bridge, canasta, "500" and euchre will be played, prizes awarded and refreshments served.

Saxonburg

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Council authorized the purchase of a two-way radio for the police car. An expenditure of about $500 to $600, half of the cost will be matched by Civil Defense funds.

Saxonburg will then join the county police radio circuit.

Council member Mrs. Katherine Gaylord reported that autoists were parking too close to the intersection of North and Main streets. The matter will be investigated.

Councilmen Lassinger, William Forsythe Jr. and Jay Rudert were appointed a committee to meet with the transportation committee of South Butler County Joint Schools pertaining to police patrols on Dinner Bell road, Jefferson Twp.

The school committee anticipates heavy traffic the next school term and has requested patrols for safety purposes.

About 16 school buses will travel the narrow road and about 60 Saxonburg pupils will walk the road to school.

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Derickson Will Act

Knoch High Principal Granted Year's Leave

South Butler County Joint School Board last night granted a year's leave of absence to Keith White, high school principal and appointed L. B. Derickson, supervising principal of schools, to act in White's position temporarily.

Action came after the board refused to appoint Morrison Orr acting principal and defeated, on first vote, Derickson's additional duty with Orr to serve as Derickson's assistant.

After a five-minute recess, four of the five individual boards approved the appointments.

George CcCrea who opposed the proposal, said "Derickson has plenty to do with his present duties."

Thus, Derickson will be acting principal of the jointure's new $2 million Knoch High School when it opens in September. It is located along Dinner Bell road, Jefferson Twp.

The Penn and Winfield - Clinton Twps. High Schools will become grade schools.

In his letter to the board, White said:

"May I have a leave of absence from the system? After the past year of constant overtime I feel I need a change."

White also asked for half - pay without deductions, which the board approved.

White has been high school principal since the jointure was formed about five years ago.

on July 15.

Council Hires Extra Police For Carnival

Saxonburg Borough Council last night hired four men to serve as special policemen during Saxonburg firemen's upcoming carnival week and at other times when their services are needed.

Those hired were R. W. Cooper, David Renfrew, Gustav Keene and Roy Reithe.

The duties of the special officers will be delegated by Burgess Stephen Miller. They will help maintain order at the carnival grounds and also help direct traffic.

Solicitor John L. Wilson told solons they could not legally permit Chief of Police James Grady to patrol Dinner Bell road in Jefferson Twp. between the borough line and the newly constructed Knoch High School.

He indicated, however, that the South Butler Area Joint School District could hire Grady to patrol the road while it was being used by school children. Council indicated it would permit Grady to take on this added duty if a satisfactory arrangement could be worked out.

Council heard an inspector's report on the borough-owned water storage tank. The report said the exterior of the tank was in good condition. Cleaning and painting of the interior was recommended.

Albert Fox, Saxonburg mortician, told the solons he was willing to donate a site and the material for an honor roll commemorating the Borough's war veterans.

He said the borough and interested civic groups would have to furnish the labor and the memorial plaque.

Street Committee Chairman Roy Lassinger asked that a protest be filed with the state Highways Department regarding the grading of Butler street.

He said two driveways in the street are inaccessible since the grading was completed.

An ordinance was approved fixing a 25-mile-per-hour speed limit on all borough streets except state highways and school zones.

Police Alerted For Fireworks

State and local police today were alerted to make arrests and confiscate fireworks offered for sale illegally.

Sgt. William W. Kitch of New Kensington station said officers of his command were instructed to make sight arrests where fireworks are offered for sale.

Pennsylvania's fireworks law applies to all types of fireworks, including sparklers and cane cap detonators.

DUKE TO SEE SPECIALISTS

LAUSANNE, Switzerland (AP) — The Duke of Windsor arrived from Paris today and is expected to see Swiss specialists about the tack of shingles f...

Saxonburg Gets Bids On Project

Saxonburg Sewer and Water Authority last night opened bids for a sewage project and water improvements, estimated at $593,000.

Unofficial low bids for the sewage project were estimated at $495,940.61. An estimate made by the Authority's engineer, Howard Warnick Engineering Co., Butler, a year ago was $483,000.

In view of construction costs that have increased the past year, the engineer's estimate comes close to the bids.

Six bids for general construction of a sewage plant and a lift station ranged from $180,760 to $223,000; 13 bids for construction of interceptors, from $69,947 to $135,200; 8 bids for construction of sewer lines, $214,223.61 to $359,300; 3 electrical bids $23,620, with a $950 deduction if a specific motor was approved by the architect for a lift station; $22,850, with a $200 deduction if the same type motor were used and $22,869.

Heating and ventilation: Bids of $2,394 and $2,557.49.

Plumbing for plant: Bids of $2,646 and $7,559.17.

Water improvement bids were submitted according to phases in the operation rather than in total proposals.

The 593,000 estimate also includes engineering and legal costs.

Bids were referred to the authority engineer for tabulation. Contracts are expected to be awarded Wednesday evening at a joint meeting of the authority and Council in the borough building.

The project is for the borough, the U. S. Steel sintering plant in nearby Ivywood and the new Knoch High School of the South Butler County Jointure.

An estimated $230,000 is expected to be received in grants, $180,000 from U. S. Steel and $50,000 from the school jointure.

The project will be financed by floating a bond issue.

Easter Hunt Plans Aired In Saxonburg

Saxonburg P-TA members completed plans for the annual Easter egg hunt at a meeting this week in the school.

Mrs. Lloyd Getty, president, announced that borough parents will be asked to donate colored eggs for the hunt, which will be held April 12 at 9. P-TA members will furnish special eggs and cash prizes.

Parents will be contacted for their donation in the near future. The egg hunt is open to all Saxonburg grade school and pre-school children.

The P-TA also voted to erect two basketball baskets and backstops in the school play ground. The group will also purchase a volleyball net and ball to be placed in the school grounds. Harold Cullen, Frank Miller, and John Thompson were appointed to select proper location for the courts, as well as a location for a proposed bicycle stand.

Mrs. Getty also announced that the P-TA will again collect clothes hangers from district residents.

These are to be sent to school with pupils or taken to the home of Mrs. Getty, Main street, Saxonburg.

A fund - raising program is being planned for April, details of which will be announced later. The next meeting, to be held on April 21, will feature a movie on Luray Caverns in Virginia.

Li'l League Aired At Lions Meeting

An explanation of a proposed Little League in Saxonburg highlighted this week's meeting of Saxonburg Lions Club.

An informal panel discussion about the league — organized baseball for young boys — was conducted by W. E. Bayless, president; William Lane and L. M. McMurray, club representatives who attended a recent Little League meeting in the community.

Members of the club were urged to attend a future planning meeting for the league. Movies about the Li'l League, originally scheduled to be shown at the Lions meet, were not obtainable because of great demand.

'Friendship Day' Will Be Observed

Girl Scout and Brownie Troops will "take over" Saxonburg Fire Hall Saturday at 2 for their annual celebration of Juliette Low World Friendship Day.

Each of the 13 district troops will participate in the program. Songs and dances of other countries will be presented by girls from the Sarver area, Jefferson Township, Herman and Saxonburg.

Parents and guests of Scouts will be guests at the program, which will be concluded by movies taken by Margaret Kilmer, scout executive, on a recent trip to Mexico and Guatemala.

Well Water Analysis Set In Saxonburg

Chemical analysis of a new well for Saxonburg's water supply was ordered by council at his week's meeting.

In addition to being tested monthly for bacteria counts by a Pittsburgh testing laboratory, water from the well, located near Dinner Bell road, must be analyzed for chemical content.

John Lassinger, council president, also reported that a pump for the public well at Water street was recently repaired and is functioning properly.

During the session, attended by four councilmen, routine bills were ordered paid.

Revenue from the rental of Saxonburg Town Hall, which was recently remodeled, was at a record high during February, it was reported.

Sunshine Class Conducts Meeting

President, Nancy Herold, was hostess to the Sunshine Class of Saxonburg Memorial Church at their monthly meeting this week.

Members, under the direction of their teacher, Mrs. Victor Franke, planned a bake sale to be held following Lent. Alice Marie Darling was winner of the monthly hostess gift.

Following the meeting, Nancy served refreshments to Mrs. Franke, Mary Ellen Leslie, Gail Lassinger, Janet Cutler, Alice Darling and Alberta Smith. The next meeting will be held in the home of Nancy Herold on April 7, with Mary Ellen Leslie as hostess.

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Events Calendar

TONIGHT

7 — Recreation Night — Clinton Church.

8 — Mary Esther Class Meeting — St. Luke's Church, Saxonburg.

TOMORROW

2:00 — Girl Scout World Fellowship Program — Saxonburg Fire Hall.

7:30 — Skating Party — Clinton Church Young People.

Wylie Class Plans Quilting Sessions

Members of Wylie Bible Class of Saxonburg Memorial Church will conduct "quilting bees" next Wednesday and Thursday.

A quilting frame will be set up in the home of the president, Mrs. Albert Steubgen, where class members will work on a quilt to be sold as part of its drive to raise funds. Later in the year, the class will hold its annual birthday party, it was announced at a meeting Tuesday.

Also in the future, the 25th anniversary of the class — the oldest existing class in Memorial Church — will be observed. Members are awaiting the return from Florida of their founder, Mrs. Anna Wylie, before completing plans for their celebration.

Class members attending the meeting were Mrs. Lena Smyers, Mrs. Steubgen, Mrs. Arthur Cypher, Mrs. Clarence Cypher, Mrs. Ira Mowrery, Mrs. Darling, Mrs. Howard Cooper, Mrs. Warner Mahan, Mrs. Sarah Westerman, Mrs. Julius Steubgen, Mrs. William Bachman, Mrs. A. Joel Scott and Mrs. Roy Williamson.

Tempera[illegible] Is Discussed At Youth Meet

A varied program on temperance was presented to members and guests of Clinton Youth Temperance Council at their meeting last week in the church.

Devotions were led by Miss Hilda Parker, whose theme was "Christian Courage."

Program director for the evening was Doris Hay. "What Roy Rogers Thinks About Alcohol" was discussed by Hilda Parker, Mrs. William Lefever and Mrs. Frank Lefever.

"Use the Sword" was the topic of Edna McAdams, and "Too Strong to be Saved" was discussed by Doris Hay.

A speech contest will be sponsored by the group, it was announced. The date will be announced later.

A social period, with refreshments served by Hilda Parker, concluded the evening. The Council will meet again on March 26 in the church.

Members attending the meeting were Hilda Parker, Edna McAdams, Donald Miller, Doris Hay, Mrs. Frank Lefever, and the leaders, Mrs. William Lefever and Mrs. Ralph Hay.

Guests were Charles Ansel, Roy Ansle, Alan Miller, Frank Parker, and Ralph and Paul Lefever.

Influenza Causes Pupil Absentees

Widespread influenza cut attendance sharply in Jefferson Township Consolidated School last month, officials reported today.

In the seventh grade, 16 of 35 pupils were absent because of illness.

Absences listed for other grades during the period include:

First — seven of a total of 36; second — nine of 33; third — nine of 42; fourth — three of 37; fifth — nine of 44; sixth — five of 23, and eighth, 10 of 27. The epidemic of illness, according to R. E. Gibbs, Jefferson School principal, has not caused teacher absentees.

they claimed the union. Then ... sidewalks, it's still on his hands. fraternal spirit. Unity ... ut sor[illegible] of unionism is this

Seeds Shipped By Gardeners To Philippines

Saxonburg district gardeners are helping to make gardens grow much - needed food almost 10,000 miles away.

Members of the Marvalsax Garden Club, at a recent meeting, heard a report that a shipment of seeds from the group has been made to the Philippines.

The seeds were sent to the Pacific islands in response to an appeal in the Village Vignettes column in The News.

Mrs. W. C. Pietz was in charge of arrangements for the gift, after being delegated by the club to make inquiries about proper types of seeds for the climate.

Also during the meeting, conducted in the home of Mrs. Clair Halstead in Ivywood, Mrs. Allan Hook, program chairman, led a discussion about raising tuberous begonias.

The hostess served a dessert luncheon to Mrs. Witcher Boggs, a new member, Mrs. W. B. Boggs, Sr., Mrs. Frank Laughran, Mrs. Allan Hook, Mrs. Edward Mahan, Mrs. C. H. Pietz, Mrs. W. C. Pietz, Mrs. Garrett Tyrrell, Mrs. J. P. Wilhelm, Mrs. William Smith and Mrs. A. Joel Scott.

Mrs. William Smith, of Saxonburg, is to be hostess for the next meeting of the club.

Church Policies Topic of Meeting

Basic policies of church and Sunday School organization were explained and discussed recently at the first meeting of the religious education committee of Memorial Church, Saxonburg.

Representatives present included Frank Miller, Sunday School superintendent; James Darling, Sunday School secretary; Victor Franke and Harold Crumpe, church council elders; Mrs. Harold Crumpe, elected parent representative, Mrs. Charles Schroth, elected Ladies Aid representative, and Rev. A. Joel Scott, pastor.

Organization possibilities were discussed, and another meeting set for Friday night at 8 in the church.

The committee also decided to hold a meeting of Sunday School teachers later in the month, with the date to be announced after the next committee meeting.

Saxonburg Scouts Selling Cookies

Girl Scouts and Brownies of the Saxonburg area are selling Girl Scout cookies this week.

Part of the funds from this year's sale will be used for improvements to the dining hall at Camp Trefoil.

Remaining funds will remain in treasuries of district troops to further the scouting programs and provide for recreation and educational projects.

Selling the cookies in Saxonburg are girls from four troops under the leadership of Mrs. Roy Lassinger, Mrs. Frank Loughran, Mrs. Charles Pearce and Mrs. Robert Williamson.

Sarver Area Ministers Plan Good Friday Service

A district three-hour service, arranged by members of Sarver Ministerial Association, will be conducted Good Friday afternoon in Saxonburg Memorial Church.

The service, scheduled during the traditional "three historic hours" from 12 til 3, is based on Jesus' "seven last words from the cross."

It will mark the first community Good Friday observance to be held in the Saxonburg Church.

Schedule Announced

A schedule for the service and names of participating ministers, announced today by Rev. William M. West, association president, follows:

The first word: "Father forgive them for they know not what they do." — by Rev. Arnold Young, Sarver Free Methodist Church.

The second word: "Verily I say unto thee, today shalt thou be with me in paradise."—Rev. James Miller, Clinton United Presbyterian Church.

The third word: "Woman, behold thy son! Behold thy mother." — Dr. D. T. Scott, Buffalo Presbyterian Church.

The fourth word: "My God, My God, why hast thou forsaken me?" — Rev. D. K. Fetterly, Saxonburg St. Luke's Lutheran Church.

The fifth word: "I thirst." — Rev. A. Joel Scott, Memorial Congregational Church.

The sixth word: "It is finished." - Rev. West, Zion United Brethern Church.

The seventh word: "Father, into Thy hands I commend my spirit." — Rev. Louis Willis, Cabot Methodist Church.

Republican Women Hold Card Party

Republican women from Saxonburg, Sarver, Sarverville, Marwood and Winfield attended a bridge and "500" party this week in the home of Frieda M. Maurhoff, Saxonburg committee woman.

Prizes for bridge were won by Mrs. C. H. Paul, Sr., Mrs. Charles Blakely, Mrs. Roy Freehling, Mrs. John Lassinger, Mrs. M. B. Stern, Mrs. J. C. Highes and Mrs. Frieda Stewart.

Prizes in "500" went to Mrs. James H. Collins, Mrs. William Forsythe, Mrs. Charles Orf, Mrs. George West, Mrs. Larry Laconi and Miss Erla Bachman.

Refreshments and prizes were donated by Republican councilwomen from the areas represented.

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EXPLORERS TO MEET

Explorer Scouts of Saxonburg will meet tomorrow in Oliver Maurhoff basement, Water street, with their advisor, John [illegible]

Saxonburg Woman Entertains Club

Sixteen members of the Goofy Club, Saxonburg's oldest card club for men and women, met recently in the home of Mrs. Bruce Catt, Saxonburg.

High prize for men went to Aaron Bachman and second to Bruce Catt.

High prize for women attending was won by Mrs. Frank Slupe, with second going to Mrs. Wilber Bachman.

Next club meeting will be held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Leibert, Saxonburg, Saturday.

Saxonburg Items

Walter Flick of Cherry Valley is much improved after a recent heart attack.

Hank Paul, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Paul, Jr., is quite sick and will be confined to his home for at least another week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ram, Sr., and their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Simpkins of Youngstown, Ohio, visited over the weekend with H. P. Shearers, of Saxonburg.

Area Delegates Attend VFW Meet

Saxonburg delegates to the twenty-fifth district Veterans of Foreign Wars meeting in New Castle recently were Howard Follstaedt, David Neubert, Robert Weher and Kenneth Schmidt.

Delegates from Beaver, Lawrence and Butler County attended the meeting at which district officers were elected.

Events Calendar

TONIGHT

8:30 — Little League Baseball meeting.

8:30 — Card party in Stone House, Cabot, sponsored by Cabot Recreation Association.

TOMORROW

7 — Lions Club, Saxonburg fire hall.

7:30 — School board, Saxonburg School.

8 — Saxonburg town council.

8 — Wylie Bible Class, Memorial Church.

8:30 — Saxonburg Volunteer Firemen directors.

Volunteer Slate Painting in Church

The primary department room of St. Luke's Church, Saxonburg, will be painted tomorrow night by Mary Esther Bible Class members and parents of primary pupils.

The work meeting is to begin at 7:30, it was announced today by Mrs. Leroy Paul, department superintendent. Painters are to bring a brush or roller, coffee cans and newspapers.

Vets, Auxiliary To Seat Officers

Guests from Joseph T. Black Post in Butler will officiate at the installation Thursday of officers of Saxonburg Veterans of Foreign Wars Post and the Ladies Auxiliary of the post.

The joint meeting is to be held in Saxonburg Fire Hall.

Managers Needed For Little League

South East Butler County Little League is looking for managers for the four baseball teams in the league. Interested men are to contact Kenneth Schmidt, Saxonburg, or David Neubert, Route 1, Cabot.

Saxonburg Items

Mrs. W. C. Pietz, of Paradise Acres, left recently for Columbia, Mo., where her daughter, Rada, is a student at Stevens College. Rada will accompany her mother home for spring vacation.

Father Cox Schick Mrs. Spinetti Scott Stuhldreher

FIRST AND LAST PRESIDENT — The last class to graduate from Winfield - Clinton High School received their diplomas last evening. On hand to congratulate them was Mrs. Oma Beers Spinetti, president of the Class of 1933, the school's first graduating class. Charles Schick, president of the Class of '58, received his sheepskin from Calvin S. Scott, president of the Winfield-Clinton School Board. Waiting to congratulate him are the Rev. F. Kenny Cox of St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church, Cabot; Mrs. Spinetti, the commencement speaker Harry Stuhldreher, US Steel vice president.

Last Class Leaves Winfield-Clinton

The final chapter in the 25-year history of Winfield-Clinton High School was written last night when diplomas were awarded 63 seniors, the school's largest class.

Winfield - Clinton now will drop out of existence as a high school. Students next fall will be enrolled in South Butler Area Joint School District's new Knoch High School near Saxonburg.

The seniors received diplomas from W. Calvin Scott, president of the Winfield-Clinton Joint School Board.

Silver diplomas also were presented by Supervising Principal L. B Derickson to members of the school's first senior class who were graduated on June 1, 1933.

Fifteen of the 20 members of the Class of '33 were on hand for last night's ceremony. Included in the

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Work Nearly Finished

Knoch School Opening Plans Pushed by Board

South Butler Area Joint School Board devoted the major portion of its June meeting last night to completing preparations for opening the newly built Knoch High School for the fall term.

Construction work on the new school, located in Dinner Bell road near Saxonburg, is nearly finished.

Homer W. Woods, clerk of the work for the school, reported electricians still have to complete their work, and that cleaning up around the building and some grading work remains to be done.

It was reported that the general contractor might be ready to turn over the building to the school's Authority on July 1.

Dedication Planned

Board members instructed the budget and finance committee to check on insurance coverage for the school. Plans call for insurance men in the area to participate in an insurance program with one of them to serve as broker.

A committee to arrange formal dedication ceremonies is to be named within a few days.

W. G. Eccles of New Castle, architect, reported the building is in good shape. He said the contractor, Gamble and Gamble, "has done a good job."

He recommended that the sloping area between the school and Dinner Bell road be graded and seeded immediately. He estimated this work would cost about $5,400.

The architect also suggested that the Board increase the size of the school's parking lot near the gymnasium by 3,300 square yards. He said the 100-car lot originally planned is not large enough.

Board members voted to advertise for bids for enlarging the parking area at a cost not to exceed $10,000.

Eccles also recommended that

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Last Class

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group was Mrs. Helen Warnick Cypher, mother of Nancy Cypher, one of W-C's Class of '58.

The commencement speaker was Harry A. Stuhldreher, assistant to the vice president of U. S. Steel Corp. and quarterback on Notre Dame's famous Four Horseman football backfield.

Calling on his gridiron experience which carried him to All-America honors, Stuhldreher told the graduates that it was important that they become "all around persons."

"It is not enough," he said, "to excel in academics. You must participate in other activities."

He stressed the importance of team play and loyalty in "developing responsibility beyond self to team mates and to the community."

"Hats off to the past, coats off to the future," Stuhldreher said, adding.

"Do a good job yourself and you will repay all those people who make up your life — your parents, your teachers and your fellow workers."

Stuhldreher also called attention to the new sintering plant which U. S. Steel Corp. is building near Saxonburg.

"U. S. Steel," he said, "is trying, and will continue to try, to be a good family member of your community."

He was introduced by Keith White, Winfield-Clinton principal.

Three honor students also spoke briefly.

Marilyn Ansell recounted the history of Winfield - Clinton High School.

"We hope," she said, "that we can add something to the history and that we will be a credit to the school, the community and our generation."

Rachel Lang spoke on the theme, "Our Class." She cited the big scientific advances that have been made in the world today, addnig:

"We hope that moral advances will someday exceed the scientific advances."

"Man has mentally reached the moon," said Edgar Cushard. "We are what our parents, our schools, our community have made us."

Names of other honor students also were announced. They were Dixie Allison, Neal Cypher, Charles Dobson, Janet Rummel, Charles Shick, Larry Szebalski, Patricia Thompson and Joanne Voltz.

Music for the processional and recessional was played by Clyde W. Winer, music supervisor for South Butler Area Joint Schools. The procession was led by ... members of the ... class, Ja... Ed... ...slie. ...ng ...

House in Danger

Ancient Black Willow Topples During Storm

...storm-racked black willow ...t's been a Saxonburg land... or at least 100 years died a ...cular death last night.

...week a big section of the ...snapped during a storm and ... across Water street.

...is apparently weakened the ...tenarian for in another storm ...ch hit Saxonburg last evening ...5 o'clock, the remainder of the ...g tree split three ways.

One section dropped across the ...oad. Another portion fell so that ...s many branches blocked the front door of the John Lassinger home.

The home was saved from severe damage, however, because of an elbow-shaped main limb which dug into the ground and kept the heavy weight off the house.

About 7 p. m. the tree started to sag, again menacing the Lassinger home. Watchers measured the sag by a rope swing on the tree which had been used by Saxonburg children for several gernations.

Fire chief Aaron Bachman rounded up a crew of firemen to re-route traffic.

A tree surgeon, C. B. Parker Jr., and his assistant, Bob Hancheck, started cutting the broken tree with a chain saw.

Water street was cleared first.

The workers started to saw off another big limb, but it had rotted inside and broke off, tearing away part of the spouting on the Lassinger home.

The sag became more pronounced.

Reldon Cooper then used a utility pole as an anchor for a winch on his jeep to break off a big section of the tree. It fell in the yard alongside the home.

The last remaining portion of the Old Monarch was cut so that it dropped into a vacant lot.

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Street Lights Requested

Saxonburg To Impose 25 m.p.h. Speed Limit

Saxonburg Council took steps last night to establish a 25 m.p.h. speed limit in borough streets.

Solicotor John Wilson was instructed to prepare an ordinance fixing the limit.

Earlier, a representative of Green Acres had requested 25 m.p.h. speed limit signs and street lights for the sub-division.

Kenneth Noble, a resident in Thelma drive, presented a petition, which stated that signers agreed to waive property damages if the borough establishes a grade in the street.

Noble said all property owners but one signed the petition. The land owners have been requesting the borough to accept the street. To meet the borough's requirements, the right-of-way has to be 33 feet. It is now 30 feet.

Solicitor Wilson suggested that property owners meet with Mrs. Alice Thomas, who reportedly did not sign the petition, concerning her property line.

Mrs. Thomas owns the property on one side of the street. Other land owners occupy the other side.

Council approved a request of Henry Rearick, Clinton Twp., to supply him with water, on condition that since Rearick is an out-of-town resident he would have to pay higher rates.

Eugene Fleischer was hired as the borough building custodian.

Roy Lassinger, chairman of Council's street committee, reported that calcium chloride has been applied on Isabelle street and that Horne avenue had been graded.

Lassinger added that he has met with officials of the American Legion and VFW posts on the possibility of erecting a war monument. He said committees from each post will make a study of the proposal.

On recommendation of Police Chief James Grady, the borough will conduct a survey on traffic signs. Grady said some were not erected high enough and some were improperly spaced.

Grady also reported he attended a FBI training school in Butler and had been awarded an achievement certificate.

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Installation Sep

Edwin Max County Leg

Edwin C. Maxwell of Tarentum, a veteran of 40 years service in American Legion activities, has been elected commander of Allegheny County's 112 posts and 35,000 members.

Maxwell will be installed Sept. 9. He will appoint Ralph E. Nicholas of Brackenridge Post 226 and George E. Parfitt of Tarentum Post 85 as aides.

The new county commander entered American Legion activity after WWI when he was named finance officer of Burt Foster Post 361, McKeesport.

In 1941, he transferred to Tarentum Post 82 and served as its

Teacher Tests Soil Samples at School Lab

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Agricultural Instructor Inspires, Guides FFA

By KAY WALKUP

"Behind every successful boy, is a successful man."

Never was that quotation so true as in the case of Meredith K. Orr, Vocational Agricultural Instructor at Winfield-Clinton High School, and the many boys he has inspired and guided in the past three years.

More than 20 per cent of his students have received tri-county and State awards for outstanding work in Future Farmers of America.

When Butler County branch of Mellon Bank instituted the Mellon Farm and Home Scholarship awards in 1952, Winfield-Clinton students have received three of the four scholarships presented to Future Farmers of America and two students have placed second during that period. Selection of award winners is made from among competitors from all county schools.

Natural Interest

Mr. Orr came by his interest in farming naturally for his father was a farmer and ran a country store near Cambridge Springs. Orr and his three brothers helped with the 140-acre dairy farm from early childhood.

After graduation from Cambridge Springs High School, Mr. Orr served for 16 months with the U. S. Navy and participated in a good-will tour of Europe, shipping aboard the S. S. Huston.

Later he worked for a year and then entered Pennsylvania State University in 1947. During his college years he held a part-time job selling farm machinery. He was a member of Phi Kappa Phi and Phi Sigma fraternities, and was graduated with honors in January 1951. He started teaching in Brush Valley, Indiana County.

with outstanding records in FFA chapters. Since only 2 per cent of state FFA members may receive this award, only boys with the highest records are considered.

Enthusiasm Felt

Mr. Orr's enthusiasm, knowledge and energy are felt in the community. His students learn the best ways of raising crops and livestock, and are putting farming on a business basis, crowding out old and unsuccessful methods. Even boys with no farm experience find his influence contagious, accepting jobs on farms and the hard work involved cheerfully, knowing the results of their labors will be rewarding and profitable. Modern methods and knowledge are often transmitted from boys to their fathers, resulting in improved and more profitable farming throughout the area.

Despite his busy schedule Mr. Orr still has time for his family, his wife and a son, 4 and his 17-month-old daughter now living in Great Belt. He maintains a garden and steals a little time for his favorite hobbies, photography and hunting.

There is also time for work in the Cabot Methodist Church where he is a steward, and he maintains interest in the American Legion, Lauter Falkner post, Saxonburg, holding the job of finance officer

Recalled to Navy

In July 1951, he came to Winfield-Clinton where he remained until October when he was recalled to the Navy. He served another 13 months aboard an APA and with cruises to Puerto Rico and Labrador.

In January of 1953, he returned to classes in Winfield-Clinton, where he is one of the busiest members of the faculty. He teaches Industrial Arts and evening classes for adults as well as vocational agriculture.

He attends on the average of three evening meetings a week and is continuing advanced work on his master degree at Pennsylvania State University branch in Kittanning.

He accompanies his students to the Harrisburg State Farm Show in Harrisburg and State Future Farmers of America Week in State College in June. In addition he is active in the Butler Farm Show with a large percentage of his students as exhibitors.

Although Winfield - Clinton is a comparatively small school, Mr. Orr's students consistently place above competitors from much larger institutions. Last year, five of his 50 FFA members received Keystone Farmer awards presented by the State of Pennsylvania to boys

Frank Lerner Is Honored On Birthday

Frank Lerner of Butler received a welcome birthday gift last week when friends from his former home Lernerville, came to his home with all the trimmings for a party.

The "guests" brought all the ingredients for a delightful dinner, and gifts for the guest of honor.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lerner formerly operated Lernerville Park, on Rt. 356, until moving to Butler nine years ago. They now live on West Wayne St.

Mr. Lerner celebrated his 70th birthday, April 26.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Jenkins, Leechburg, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cooper, Miss Dolly Cooper and William Lerner of the Lernerville area.

Saxonburg Notes

Eric Paulsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Paulsen, State St., Saxonburg, is recuperating at home following a tonsilectomy.

Mrs. Howard Cooper, and Mrs. Reldon Cooper were among the many attending the recent Butler Little Theater presentation of "See Now They Run."

Scout Corner

Day Camp Planned

Shady Grove day camp for Girl Scouts and Brownies of the Saxonburg area will be held this year in Winfield-Clinton Joint School grounds.

Plans for this year's camp were formulated at a recent meeting in the home of camp chairman, Mrs. R. F. Raymond, Saxonburg.

The camp will be in session July 10, 11, 12, 17, 18 and 19 from 9:30 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. Applications blanks and the registration fee of $2.50 are due June 29. These may be obtained from troop leaders.

Two buses will provide transportation to and from the camp site.

Leadership training for counselors will be provided by Mrs. Parker and Mrs. Henderson of the Butler Scou office.

Mrs. Dan Nehrer Is Host to Club

Mrs. Dan Nehrer of Lernerville, was hostess for the Jolly Neighbor Club last week. Club members include Mrs. Gilbert Riemer, Mrs. Robert Riemer Mrs. Edward Peculius, Mrs Bart Bauer, Mrs. Alvin Baugerstock, Mrs Howard Cooper Mrs. Hattie Wonderly, Mrs Bertha Hollman and Miss Dolly Cooper.

Next club meeting will be held May 24 in the home of Mrs. Bart Bauer.

Lodge Celebrates 31st Anniversary

The A.O.K. Mystic Chain Lodge, Lernerville Castle, celebrated their 31st anniversary in the meeting rooms, in the Reldon Cooper home, Saxonburg last week.

Families of Lodge members and some members of Tarentum Lodge were guests at the celebration.

This Lodge meets every Tuesday evening in their Saxonburg meeting rooms. It was organized 31 years ago and met in a building in Lernerville Park owned by Frank Lerner.

Winfield-Clinton Graduate Is Hero at Commencement

THE REAL hero of this year's graduating class of Winfield-Clinton Joint High School was almost a failure.

Ronald Ansell, student speaker, rose to address the crowded auditorium with his carefully written and memorized speech, "Education—the Backbone or the Wishbone of Democracy." After two sentences, he froze completely.

He tried once, then a second time, but the words he had worked on so long were completely erased from his mind. After a moment of dead silence, he took the long walk back across the stage, and sat down. He had failed in his greatest moment.

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THE SECOND speaker rose, and with complete poise presented her oration, receiving the applause and praise of her listeners.

Ronnie still sat, his moment of glory a dismal flop. To his surprise, L. B. Derickson, supervising principal rose, and started speaking of a gym exhibition, far cry from the solemn ceremony, now unfolding.

Ronnie heard his name, through the fog of embarrassment, and was surprised to hear Mr. Derickson speak of the high hurdle which he had cleared with ease during the recent gym meet. Then Mr. Derickson turned to Ronnie and said, "Ronnie, are you ready to clear another hurdle?"

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AT FIRST, Ronnie felt he couldn't face it again, then he swallowed hard, clenched his fist, and again walked across the stage.

The words didn't come easily at first, and when he came to his former stumbling block, he faltered, but he went on and on to the end.

He had overcome one of the highest hurdles of his young life, his moment of failure became a moment of glory, and the audience, fully appreciating the difficulty of his task, made the rafters ring with their applause.

That incident will never be forgotten, either by Ronnie nor by anyone else in the packed auditorium that night. As guest speaker, Dr. Thomas R. Miller, president of Edinboro State Teachers College, commented in his graduation address, "It's not if you flounder that counts—it's the way you recover and go on."

With Dr. Miller, our hats are off to an outstanding example of courage. If that's a sample of the future generation, what a fine world this is going to be.

Families Gather

Saxonburg PTA will hold its annual family night party Monday evening.

It will be a 6.30 tureen dinner in Saxonburg school. Specially invited are pupils who will enter first grade next fall and their parents.

Mrs. Carl Siegwarth Jr. New Woman's Club Prexy

Jane Ellen Ball, of Station WJAS in Pittsburgh was guest speaker recently at the annual banquet of Saxonburg District Woman's Club in the Elks Home, Butler.

Miss Ball reviewed current Broadway plays with special emphasis given to "The Diary of Anne Frank," this year's Pulitzer prize winner. Her interesting commentary gave Saxonburg women a whirlwind tour of 42nd street and brought New York closer to Main Street.

Music was provided by Mrs. Carrol Gray, soprano soloist, accompanied by Mrs. Charles Moore.

Mrs. Robert Smiley of Slippery Rock, president of Butler County Federation of Woman's Clubs installed newly - elected club officers. Mrs. Carl Siegwarth Jr. succeeds Mrs. H. M. Davis as club president. Other officers include Mrs. Bernard Hankinson, vice president; Mrs. Homer Fredrick, recording secretary; Mrs. Clair Halstead, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. Hazel Harbison, treasurer.

Before handing over the gavel to her successor, Mrs. Davis expressed appreciation for cooperation of department heads and fellow club members.

Mrs. Siegwarth then announced department and committee heads. They are Mrs. Carroll Grey and Mrs. Ivor Rudert, program; Mrs. Garrett Tyrrell and Mrs. L. M. McMurray, music; Mrs. William Forsythe and Mrs. Gerald Coleman, Ways and Means; Mrs. James Salsgiver and Mrs. William Paulsen, Arts and Crafts; Mrs. M. J. Yeiser and Mrs. William Galey, social; Mrs. H. M. Davis, membership; Mrs. Bernard Hankinson and Mrs. Herbert Beck, drama; Mrs. William A. Watson, conservation and garden; Miss Ida Bicker, finance; Mrs. Paulsen, historian; Mrs. Andrew Jones, cheer; and Mrs. Harry Hart Jr., publicity.

Tables set for 90 members and guests were decorated by Mrs. Fred Huelsman conservation and garden department chairman, using tulips and mums. Each place was marked with a basket of candy and nuts and a colorful hanky.

Mrs. Albert McCrea, social chairman, was in charge of arrangements for dinner.

South Butler Joint Schools Adopt Budget

South Butler Joint School District adopted a tentative budget last evening calling for expenditures of $464,910 during 1956-57.

Biggest single item budgeted is $388,985 for instructional purposes, an increase of about $10,000 over last year's comparative figure.

Of this amount, $279,600 is budgeted for teachers salaries. This allows for a $100 yearly increment if the state boosts the annual increment provision and for a $300 yearly hike provided the state takes no action.

The budget is apportioned among the five-member district, each of whom sets up a budget and determines their own tax rate.

Joint board members also authorized employment of an architect to design drawings for a sewage disposal plant to serve the schools.

Naming of the proposed new high school was postponed after Chairman John Thompson reported he received a barrage of letters suggesting prospective names.

Supervising Principal Lawrence B. Derickson announced that baccalaureate services would be held Sunday at 3 p.m. in Winfield-Clinton High School and at 8 p. m. in Penn Twp. High School. Commencement exercises will take place May 23 in Winfield-Clinton and May 24 in Penn Twp. High School.

Robert L. Sarver, chairman of athletic committee, announced the summer recreation program would start June 25.

C. A. Powell, chairman of building committee, recommended the schools buy power from West Penn Light Co after meeting with light company officials.